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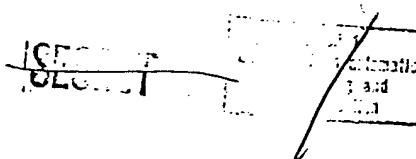
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SUBJECT : Soviet Nationals Travelling by Air Into and
Out of Cuba, by Month, by Quarter, by Half
and Annual Total in 1966

1. In 1966, approximately 1,050 more Soviet nationals arrived in Cuba by air than departed during the same twelve months (January-December) period. This is the first significant annual increment of Soviet nationals to the island of Cuba by air since this Office began analyzing this traffic in 1953 as shown in the following tabulation:

	<u>Soviet Nationals</u>		<u>Net Increase (Decrease)</u>
	<u>Via Air</u>	<u>To Cuba</u> <u>From Cuba</u>	
1966	6,240	5,198	+1,052
1965	4,494	4,623	-134
1964	3,634	3,933	-299
1963	2,946	3,142	-196

2. In the first and fourth quarters of 1966 there were net increases in arrivals of Soviet nationals by air to Cuba of 624 and 740 respectively, which were only partially offset by net outflow of 159 in the second quarter and 153 in the third quarter of 1966, resulting in an annual net increase of about 1,050. Of this total, it is estimated from analysis of passenger manifests covering this travel that approximately 100 women and 50 children arrived as dependents of the Soviet technicians. (See Table 1 attached.)



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4. Preliminary analysis indicates that the first quarter, 1966 increase in net arrivals of Soviet equipment can be attributed, in part, to Soviet aid in operating agricultural combines, and in renovating the Cuban sugar mills. The influx in the fourth quarter may stem both from the arrival of Soviet officers to aid in manning Cuban merchant ships, and military technicians assigned to assemble and put into operation the

contained in
the eight major shipments of Soviet military equipment that arrived between mid-September and the end of 1966.

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Table 1

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SOVIET NATIONALS TRANSFERRED BY AIR INTENDANT
BY QUARTERS JANUARY - DECEMBER 1946 -
OUT OF USSR, 184 MONTH

Month	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total	Total Crews		
														Passenger	Cargo	
January	424	15	489	165	-	165	-	165	+ 324							
February	264	-	264	118	-	118	+ 146									
March	435	-	425	281	-	281	+ 154									
April	123	65	1188	564	364	564	+ 124									
May	271	-	274	310	-	310	- 36									
June	51	423	501	471	-	471	+ 30									
July	122	242	112	119	-	119	- 153									
August	122	242	112	119	-	119	- 153									
September	364	15	561	623	623	623	- 165									
October	173	-	172	513	513	513	- 169									
November	551	15	672	735	735	735	- 57									
December	392	15	618	112	112	112	+ 123									
Total	123	242	112	119	122	122	- 153									
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